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MINNESOTA BULLETIN NO. 250-7-13

SUBJECT: FNM- SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION SOCIETY (SWCS) - ANNUAL MEETING

Purpose. To provide information regarding the SWCS annual meeting.

Expiration Date. September 30, 2007

ACTION DUE BY: June 10, 2007

The 2007 Soil and Water Conservation Society (SWCS) Annual Conference and Training will be held in Tampa, Florida, July 21-25. The conference theme is "Conservation Challenges in a Changing Landscape." The conference includes workshops, concurrent sessions, symposia, posters, plenary sessions, and technical tours designed to expose participants to recent developments in the science and art of natural resource conservation and environmental management on working land, the largely privately-owned land comprising working farms, ranches, forests, and rural and urban communities. The areas of special emphasis for the 2007 conference include:

Soil Resources and Management
Conservation and Environmental Policy and Program Design
Water Resources and Management
Adaptive Management of Conservation Efforts
Conservation Education
Biodiversity Conservation and Management
Conservation in Urban Settings
Conservation Tools and Technologies
Conservation Implications of a Bio-based Economy
Integrated Watershed Management
Adaptive Management: Theory into Practice

The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) encourages attendance and participation by employees in career-related professional organizations that enhance career development and professionalism. Employees desiring to attend this conference should see reference bulletin MN-360-6-46, Subject: NRCS Employees' Participation in Outside Organizations; for procedures to request participation in this event.

Supervisor's should ensure that employee's request for STC approval for attendance are submitted to the attention of Charles Montgomery, SAO/Training Officer, and received at the State Office no later than close of business June 10, 2007. Employees approved by the STC for attendance will be notified through their supervisors and their names will be added to Form SCS-FNM-72, Meeting Attendance Approval by Bryan Welp, Budget Officer, by June 12, 2007 to NHQ for final approval.

Early registration for the Annual Conference and Training is June 14, 2007. Hotel and registration information can be found on the SWCS website: www.swcs.org.

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Attachment: Event agenda and registration information

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